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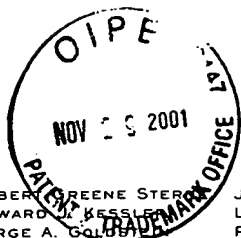
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/617,116; Filed: July 14, 2000
For: **Folypolyglutamyl Synthetase Gene Transfer to Enhance Antifolate
Drug Sensitivity**
Inventors: Aghi *et al.*
Our Ref: 0609.4830001/JAG/KRM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
2. Return Postcard.

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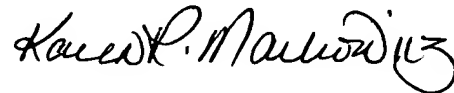


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Respectfully submitted,

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